

Central Planning Board  
Municipal Board

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AN ORDINANCE CREATING A CENTRAL PLANNING BOARD; AND PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE MEMBERS THEREOF AND THEIR TERMS OF OFFICE; AND OUTLINING AND DEFINING THE FUNCTIONS, POWERS, AND DUTIES OF SAID BOARD.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Newark that:

1. Pursuant to the provisions of the Revised Statutes of 1937, Title 40:55-21, and the amendments thereof and supplements thereto, a CENTRAL PLANNING BOARD of the City of Newark, N. J. consisting of nine members, be and is hereby created.

2. The members of said PLANNING BOARD shall be appointed and hold office in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Revised Statutes, Title 40:55-3, and they shall be citizens residing in the City of Newark, New Jersey.

3. The CENTRAL PLANNING BOARD shall organize itself and conduct its business in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Revised Statutes, Title 40:55-4, excepting that no committee, agency or employee shall be appointed or employed by the said Board without the consent of the governing body of the City of Newark.

4. It shall be the primary function and duty of the CENTRAL PLANNING BOARD to act as a central body and clearing house for all governmental plans and projects that, directly or indirectly, may benefit and affect the City of Newark, and, for that purpose, it shall:

(a) Make comprehensive studies and surveys of Federal, State, County and Municipal post-war plans and projects, to determine their purposes, the manner of their financing, and the source and availability of funds to carry on the same.

(b) Make comprehensive studies and surveys of the physical and social needs of the City of Newark, and, for that purpose, all boards, departments, agencies and bureaus of the City may, with the consent of the Director in charge, supply the CENTRAL PLANNING BOARD with such information and data as it may request.

(c) Make comprehensive studies and surveys of the problems which may arise upon the termination of the present world conflict, particularly



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with respect to the return to normal peace-time pursuits of the men and women of this City who have been in the service of their country.

(d) Make comprehensive studies and surveys of the problems which may arise upon the termination of the present world conflict, particularly with respect to real estate, housing, business, industry, and all other interests and activities in the City of Newark.

5. It shall be the further function and duty of the CENTRAL PLANNING BOARD to develop and promulgate post-war plans and post-war projects and to co-ordinate all plans and projects within the City and to correlate them to the plans and projects of Federal, State and County agencies and with those of other municipalities, giving due consideration at all times, to the probable ability of the City of Newark to carry out, over a period of years, the various projects without the imposition of unreasonable financial burdens. The Board, however, shall not have the power or authority to function as the Board of Adjustment of the City of Newark, or to perform the functions of any board, department, agency or body of the City of Newark.

6. THE CENTRAL PLANNING BOARD shall, from time to time, report to the Board of Commissioners of the City of Newark the results of any study and survey which it has made and the conclusions derived therefrom, and it shall recommend any plan or project which it has approved and it shall report its disapproval of any plan or project which has been submitted to it. The action of the PLANNING BOARD in approving or disapproving any plan or project shall not be binding upon the Board of Commissioners, but shall be reported to the Commission as a recommendation.

7. Any plan or project which shall be presented to the Board of Commissioners, and which has not been reported upon previously by the CENTRAL PLANNING BOARD, may be referred by the Board of Commissioners to the CENTRAL PLANNING BOARD for study, and the CENTRAL PLANNING BOARD shall thereupon furnish to the Board of Commissioners a report thereon in writing, within thirty days.

8. THE CENTRAL PLANNING BOARD shall have all of the other general powers and duties as are set forth in the Revised Statutes afore-



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said, for the making and adopting of a master plan for the physical development of the City of Newark.

9. The CENTRAL PLANNING BOARD shall pursue the general purpose of guiding and accomplishing a co-ordinated, adjusted and harmonious development of the City of Newark and its environs which will, in accordance with present and future needs, best promote order, convenience, prosperity, education, and general welfare, as well as efficiency and economy in the process of development and in the expenditure of public funds.

10. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage and publication according to law.

Vincent J. Murphy  
Ralph A. Villani  
John A. Brady  
Jos. M. Byrne, Jr.  
John B. Keenan

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Newark, N. J.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Newark, at a meeting held June 16 1943.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of the City of Newark, this 16 day of June A. D. 1943  
Harry S. Reichenstein  
City Clerk of Newark, N. J.

*Amendment*

1. Paragraph 1 of an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance creating a Central Planning Board; and providing for the appointment of the members thereof and their terms of office; and outlining and defining the functions, powers, and duties of said Board," adopted June 18, 1943, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

"1. Pursuant to the provisions of the Revised Statutes of 1937, Title 40, Chapter 55, Sections 1 to 21 inclusive, and the amendments thereof and supplements thereto, a CENTRAL PLANNING BOARD of the City of Newark, N.J., consisting of nine members, be and is hereby created."

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the Board of Commissioners,  
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